



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Confirmation No. 9879

Fumio KURIYAMA et al. Attorney Docket No. 2006 0318A

Serial No. 10/571,751 Group Art Unit 2812

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PLATING METHOD AND APPARATUS Mail Stop: Amendment

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT **ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of July 29, 2008, the Applicants hereby elect Species C, directed to an ozone water pretreatment. Claims 26-28 read on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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